National Coordinators for the Study on Regional Cooperation in the Fields of Trade, Manufactures & Services, which can be taken up for implementation in the immediate run and also oversee the implementation of such recommendations. There are recommendations in the report which have a direct bearing on Indo-Pak economic relations, such as commitment to extend MFN treatment & standstill on A roll-back of tariff and non-tariff barriers.

Communal riots daring recent Elections

595. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some communal riots took place during recent Lok Sabha and Assembly elections in tne country; and

(b) if so, the dates, places, main reasons for the riots and the number of people killed/injured in each incident?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) Yes, Sir. As per information available, major communal riots in five districts of Uttar Pradesh took place during the recent Lok Sabha and Assembly elections in the country.

(b) A statement is attached.

Statement

A Statement showing the particulars of major communal riots which took place during the Lok Sabha and Assembly elections in the country is as under •.—

Name of the place and date	Number of persons		Mam reasons for the riot
	Killed	Injured	
1	2	3	4
UTTAR PRADESH :			
Varanasi ((18- 21-5-91)	10	146	Clash between supporters of two different political parties near the venue of a meeting.
Kanpur (19—22-5-91)	18	64	Alleged shouting of provocative slogans in a procession by suppor'crs of a political party.
Gulf wati town . (Distt. Bulandshahar) (20—22-5-91)	11	5	Violence following allegation of poll malpractices.
Meerut .... (20—23-5-91)	31	67	Clash between the supporters of two political parties.
Allahabud (22-5-91)	4	23	Communal riot consequent to pelting of stone and arson between two communities).